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THE CUP FINAL.

To be Played at the Palace.

It appears that, after all, the final tie of the Football Association's Challenge Cup—popularly known as the English Cup—will be played at the Crystal Palace, next April. According to the official report issued last Monday (Dec. 15), the Finance Committee of the Football Association recommends that the next Final Tie be played at the Crystal Palace on terms which have been submitted and agreed. The arrangements do not fully meet the requirements of the Council, but they provide for all possible improvements in the time at disposal. The terms include a provision that the playing of the match in 1914 is dependent on the scheme as set out for 1915 being carried out.

The committee has submitted a scheme for the permanent improvement of the ground, giving accommodation for 120,000 people. The proposals have been provisionally accepted by the representatives of the Palace, and if agreed the ground improvements will be completed for the Final Tie of 1915.

MARRIED MEN AND SECRETS.

The announcement that only bachelors are being employed in building Shamrock IV, the new America Cup Challenger, as secretary, was believed, could not be counted on from married men, has led to a good deal of controversy. It is pointed out that many of the Suffragettes who committed outrages on married women, and yet there have hardly been any instances of bachelors in these affairs.

Mr. Gladstone always said that a Cabinet Minister was at liberty to disclose his secrets to his wife and his private secretary. When Mr. Gladstone was married he foresaw the difficulties of Mrs. Gladstone's position. He asked her whether she would like to know everything that he knew and to keep his counsel, or to be told nothing and to be saved from indiscretions.

Mrs. Gladstone naturally chose the first, and, late in life, Mr. Gladstone said that she had known everything he knew all these years and never once betrayed his counsel. In the one notorious case, by the way, where the draft of an important Bill passed into a newspaper's hands the betrayal was not made by the wife of the statesman concerned, but by another lady.

FROM REALITY TO STAGE.

Governor's Grand-Daughter Plays Chinese Servant.

In the cast of "Mr. Wu," the play now running at the Strand Theatre, there is a part of a Chinese servant girl with little to say and a lot to do, which is played by Miss Marion Lind.

This is one of life's little ironies, for the scene of the play is laid in Hongkong, and the first Governor of Hongkong was Sir John Davis, a trusted lieutenant of Lord Palmerston. Sir John's youngest daughter married Lieutenant Colonel Lind of Lind's Horse, a well-known military officer, and it is their daughter who plays the part of a native of the island of which her grandfather was Governor.

Miss Lind has in her possession some most interesting letters from Palmerston to Sir John Davis, in which the latter's firmness is highly commended, and in which Lord Palmerston gently hopes that it will not become necessary to bombard and destroy Canton!

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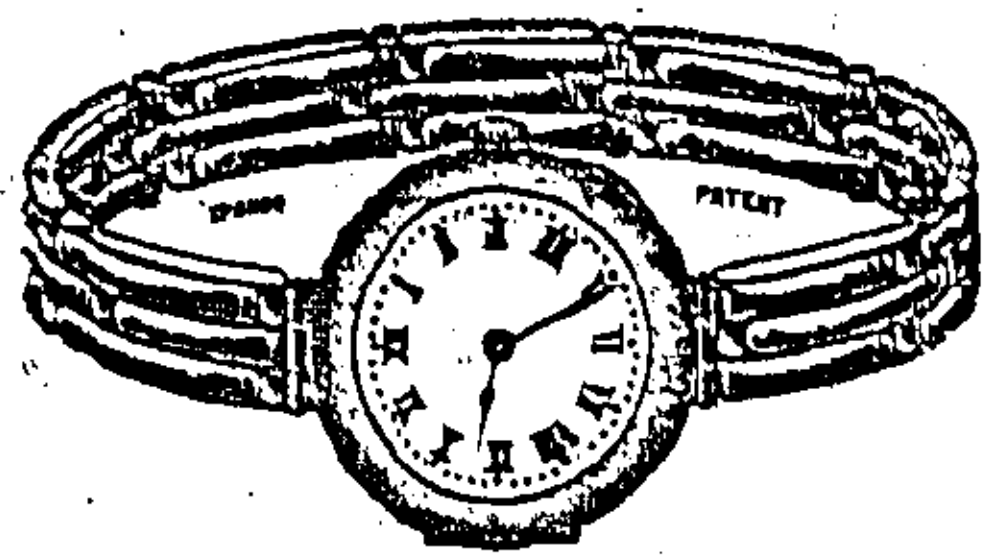
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CHALLENGE SHIELD.

ENTRÉE for the above competition will
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A MEETING will be held at evening
8.30 in the Offices Messrs JARDINE,
MATTHEW & CO., Ltd. to make all
necessary arrangements.
Each team entered is invited to send a
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J. C. TAYLOR,

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SUMMARY OF HOME NEWS.

(From the "Daily Telegraph" of
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THE COURT.

The King and Queen, accompanied by
the Prince of Wales, Princess Mary,
Princess Henry, and Prince George, have
left London for Sandringham, where the
Royal family will remain until Jan. 20.
Their Majesties then proceed to Windsor,
returning to London for the opening of
Parliament, which has been fixed for
Feb. 10.

THE BRITISH EMPIRE.

Syndicalists and opponents of indus-
trial arbitration have telegraphed our
Sydney Correspondent, being hopelessly
bitten in the recent trade dispute in
New Zealand. This is due not merely
to the firm attitude adopted by employers
and the Government, but also to the
action of the men themselves, large num-
bers of whom favour peaceful arbitration.
The majority of the workers have
joined the "new" unions registered
under the Arbitration Act.

Leaders of the Indian passive resistance
movement in South Africa are not at all
satisfied with the composition of the
Indian Grievances Commission, appointed
by the Union Government. Addressing a
meeting of Indians in Durban, Mr.
Gandhi urged a continuance of the pro-
paganda. It is now proposed that on
New Year's Day strikers should proceed
in a procession from Durban, gathering
recruits by the way, to the Transvaal.
If not stopped they are to march to Pre-
toria and "squat" in the square.

POLITICAL.

The list of New Year's Honours to be
submitted to the King is, says our Par-
liamentary Correspondent, one of the
longest on record. The Whips have been
besieged by applications from Radicals
whose claims to those distinctions are of
the slenderest character.

FOREIGN.

According to a telegram published by
the "Reformer" Tagblatt, Prince Ho-
henlohe-Oehringen, one of the largest
landowners in Hungary, has sold his
Javorina estate, which comprises about
30,000 hectares of forest lands, to a
French financial group for £2,000,000.
The timber, it is stated, will be cut down,
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GALLANT RESCUE BY BRITISH
OFFICER.

When on the point of leaving for Home
Lieut. Farquhar, navigating officer of
H.M.S. Cadmus, rescued a bluejacket
from the Huangpu. The Cadmus left
Shanghai almost immediately afterwards,
so that until now details of that
event have not become public. At the
time the Cadmus was lying off the
upper end of French Bund, and
between nine and ten o'clock in the morn-
ing one of the crew left to go ashore in a
sloop. When about ninety or 100 yards
from the ship, the man overboarded and
fell into the water. The sloopman found
himself unable to do anything towards his
assistance, but Lieut. Farquhar, who had
just come on deck, threw himself
into the water, waiting only to
divest himself of his coat. When
Lieut. Farquhar reached him, the drown-
ing man had already sunk twice, but the
former getting hold of him, supported him
in the water until a boat could be lowered
from the Cadmus. Both were then taken
aboard, by which time Lieut. Farquhar
was almost completely exhausted after his
immersion in the icy cold water. He has
since gone Home on furlough, but he
leaves behind him in Shanghai the memory
of a very gallant action.

SCOTTISH FREE CHURCH.

New Moderator.

The meeting for the election of the next
Moderator of the United Free Church of
Scotland was held in Edinburgh on the
afternoon of Dec. 16th. The names were
proposed, and the Rev. Dr. George Keith,
of Glasgow, was elected by a majority of
forty over the Rev. Dr. Mackintosh. The
new Moderator is 71 years of age, and a
native of Aberdeen. His whole ministry
of forty-seven years has been spent at Col-
lege Church, Glasgow.

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It is rumoured in Bombay that during
the cold season of 1914-15 an Exhibi-
tion, which in size, style and general
interest will excel any previously held
in India, will be held on the Mall in
that city. It is also rumoured that this
exhibition will be opened by His Royal
Highness the Prince of Wales during his
proposed visit to India, which will prob-
ably take place during that season.

At a meeting of Visiting Justices for
the Settlement of Singapore held on
Monday, December 22, the following
order was arranged for the year 1914:
Chairman Mr. W. E. Hooper, January,
Messrs. J. L. Humphreys and A. D.
Allan; February, Messrs. W. G. Bell
and A. E. Baddeley; March, Lieutenant
B. A. Cator, R.N., and Mr. H. W. Buck-
land; April, Messrs. A. M. Goodman and
P. Cunliffe; May, Messrs. F. J. Halliday
and W. H. Macgregor; June, Messrs. J.
Lornie and W. Makepeace; July, Mr.
P. F. David and Dr. Middleton; August,
Messrs. F. M. Baddeley and M. E.
Plumpton; September, Messrs. E. L.
Talbot and J. Polgar; October, Messrs.
E. B. Maundrell and J. Robertson;
November, Messrs. A. V. Brown and A.
W. Sill; December, Messrs. C. V. Dyson
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MOORE & S. NORRHCOTE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, Jan. 3, 1914.

THE WEST POINT BUILDING
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A. SHELTON HOOPER,
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The Hongkong Land Investment
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Hongkong, Jan. 13, 1914.

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THE Underigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction by permission of the Stewards of the Hongkong Jockey Club, (for account of the Jockey Club) on

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HUGHES & HOUGH,
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Hongkong, Jan. 13, 1914.

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THE Underigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

FRIDAY,
the 18th January, 1914, commencing at 2.30 p.m. at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road, Corner of Ice House Street,—

A QUANTITY OF
VALUABLE TEAKWOOD AND BLACKWOOD FURNITURE,
Comprising as follows:—

TEAKWOOD—Dining and Drawing Room Suits, Upholstered Arm-chairs and Sofas, Carpets and Rugs (new), Brass and Brass-mounted Bedsteads, Bed Room Suite, Bureau, Wardrobes, Washstands, &c., Dining Room Furniture, Side-board, Dinner Waggon, Kitchen Dining Tables and Chairs, etc., 2 Dinner and Dessert Services, Crockery, Sundries, Glass Ware, Cooking Stoves, Kitchen Utensils, Cutlery, &c., Brass Fenders and Fire Brackets.

Blackwood Suits, Blackwood Cup and Oval Tables, Cabinets, Overmantels, Side Tables, Desks, a variety of Stands, etc., etc., Electric Reading Lamps and a few lots (Chinese Porcelain).

(Full Particulars from Catalogue.)
Catalogue will be issued.

Terms:—As usual.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Underigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (for account of the CONCRETE), on

FRIDAY
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SEVERAL LOTS OF
GRASS CLOTH AND DRAWN THERMAD WORK,
Comprising:—

BEDSPREADS, TEA CLOTHS, PILLOW-COVERS, CUSHION-COVERS, TRAY CLOTHS, SIDEBOARD-COVERS, &c., &c.

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TERRIBLE DRAMA AT A POLISH CASTLE.

A Count's Crime.

Wife and Her Nephew Shot Dead.

(From the "Daily Telegraph" of Dec. 22nd, and 23rd.)

BERLIN, Dec. 21.

Count Mathias van Brudnowski-Mieczyski, member of the Reichstag, ex-lieutenant of the Prussian Body Guard, at one time leaned towards extreme democratic views. He was even among the public apologists of the Russian revolution. For this reason, he was known in political circles here as "The Red Count." The sobriquet has proved of sinister omen, for to-day his hands are stained with the blood of his wife and her nephew, Count Alfred von Mieczyski. Full details of the drama of passion, which has ended with the extinction of two lives, have yet to be known. All that can so far be regarded as fully established is that Count Mieczyski shot his two victims with a sporting rifle between three and four o'clock yesterday morning, at the mansion of Dakowymokre, near Graz about twelve miles from Posen. The weapon was discharged at very close range. One bullet struck the Countess in the chest, evidently penetrating the heart, while the other passed through her nephew's neck, inflicting wounds that were immediately mortal.

After the fatal shots, Count Mieczyski wrote a number of letters to his relatives, telling them what he had done, and explaining the motives of his deed. Later he communicated by telephone with the office of the Public Prosecutor at Posen, and a commission was sent out to Dakowymokre to investigate the affair. The Count was not immediately arrested, but it would seem was allowed to remain at the house, under the guard of two gendarmes.

VARYING VERSIONS.

Of the events which immediately preceded the tragedy there are three distinct versions. According to one of these, Count Mieczyski, suspecting the relations of his wife to her nephew, left the house early on Friday, under the pretext of making a distant journey, and returning by motor in the early hours of the morning, surprised the pair under compromising circumstances in the Countess's bedroom. Another story is to the effect that Count Mieczyski was awakened during the night by an unusual noise, and thinking that burglars had broken into the house, took his rifle and crept downstairs, to make the discovery already mentioned. The third version states that he nephew had been spending the evening with his uncle and aunt, that they had been talking together until three in the morning, when some turn in the conversation confirmed the suspicions which Count Mieczyski already harboured, that he then got up, left the room, and, returning shortly afterwards with the rifle, executed sanguinary vengeance for the wrong which he conceived had been done him.

The union which has been thus suddenly and tragically severed began, as it has ended, with the shedding of blood. It is eighteen years ago that Count Mathias, while paying a visit to Countess Mathias, fell deeply in love with the latter's daughter, Felcia, a girl of great beauty and social charm, but it is said of somewhat unstable character. The parents refused their consent to the match, and the infatuated lover, deciding that he could not live without the object of his affection, attempted to shoot himself. Though the bullet missed his heart, it injured a lung, leaving permanent lameness, but the Count's recovery was hastened by the news that the obstacle to the realisation of his wishes had been removed. The marriage was not, however, a very happy one, and before many years had passed the couple parted for the first of several separations, the last of which was of three years' duration, and only terminated six weeks ago, when the Countess inherited the Dakowymokre estate. Three children were born to the pair, two girls and a boy, who is now seven years of age.

Count Alfred Mieczyski, who was 28 years of age, was the son of the Countess's older half-sister, who lived on in adjoining estate. He had been a frequent visitor at Dakowymokre, and was often seen in his aunt's company. Their intimacy was remarked on in the neighbourhood, but no guilty inferences appear to have been drawn from it.

ARTIST-POLITICIAN.

For a long time past Count Mieczyski had devoted to art the leisure left to him by politics. He had during the past seven years rented a suite of apartments in a great block of artists' studios known as Siegmundhof, near the Berlin Thiergarten, and he has the reputation of being a very skilful landscape painter. His talent seems to obtain a morbid strain, for he worked with particular assiduity at a picture which he called "Voluptuousness," and which represented a beautiful woman leaning with a smiling face over a heap of severed men's heads. The Count played a prominent part in the Reichstag, of which he has been a member since 1908, and at one time he seemed likely to succeed Count Bredow as leader of the Polish Parliamentary party. He lost his political influence, however, when he began to act off the democratic doctrines of his youth, and during the visit of the Emperor to Posen last summer he was violently attacked for participating in the Countess's activities. Indeed, as he drove to the Sauerbrunn he was hounded and pelted with stones, and his carriage was set on fire. He is now said to be in the hands of the police.

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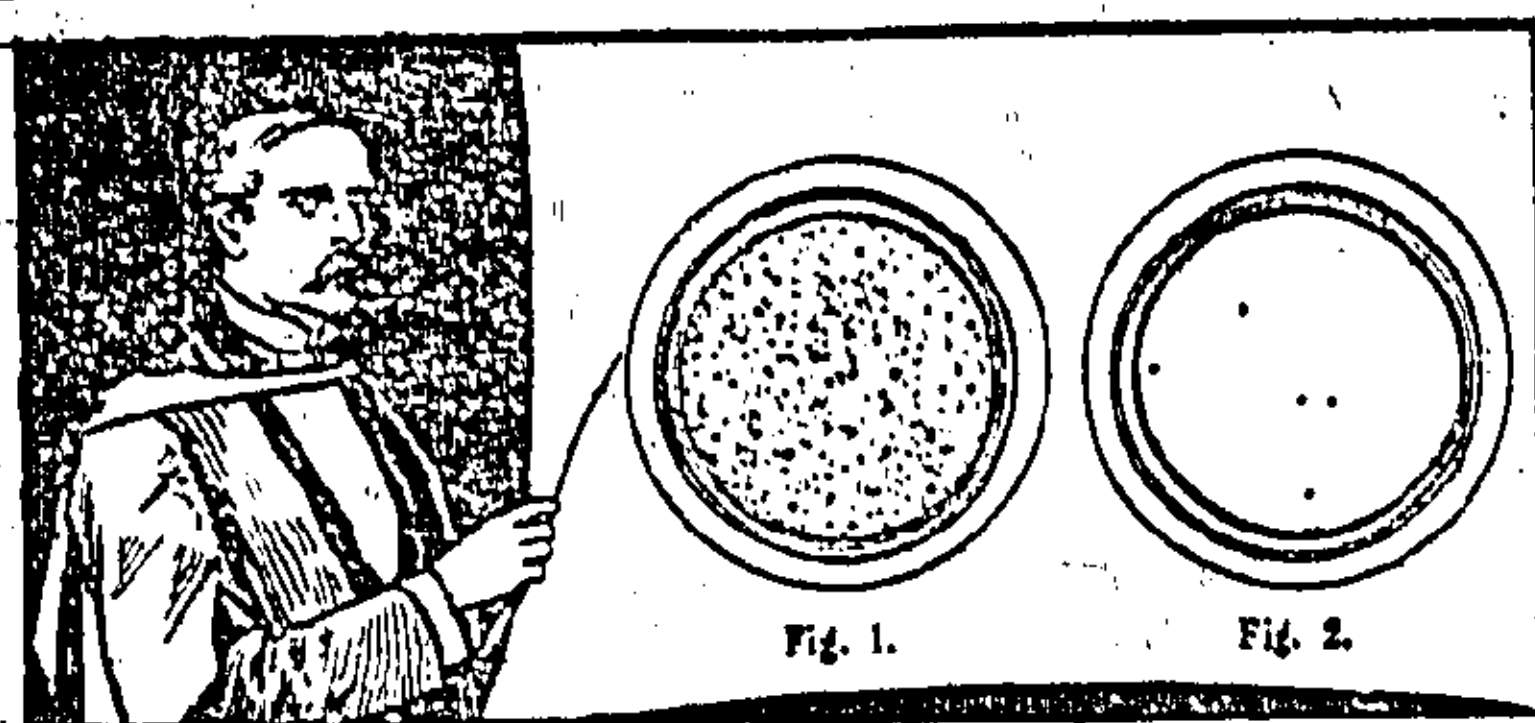
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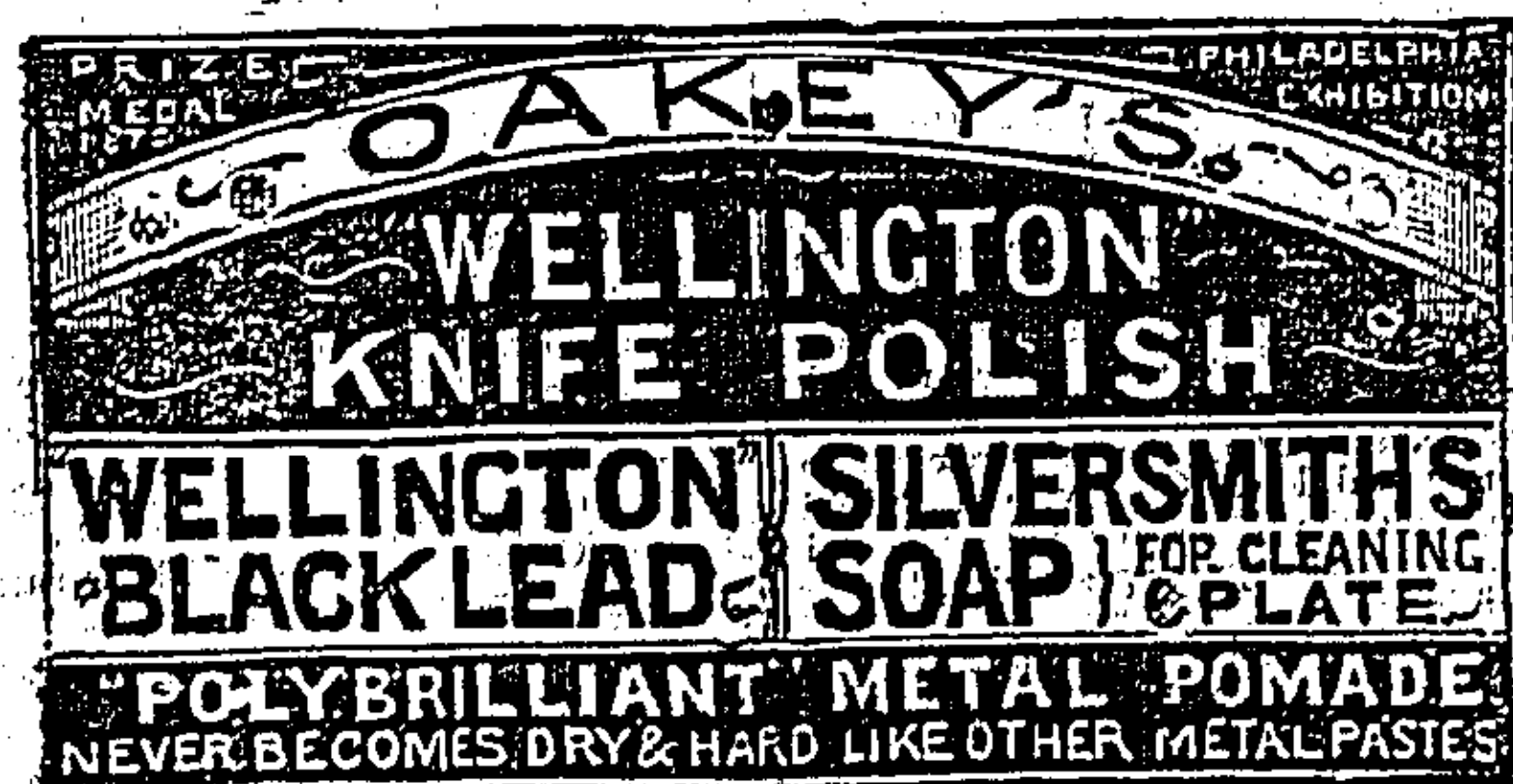
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HOME FOOTBALL.

League Championships.

FIRST DIVISION.

Results.					
Blackburn Rovers	0	Manchester United	1		
Bradford City	1	Burnley	0		
Everton	0	Chelsea	0		
Manchester City	1	Preston North End	0		
Middlesbrough	5	Aston Villa	0		
Sunderland	2	Oldham Athletic	0		
Tottenham Hotspur	1	Sheffield Wed.	1		
West Brom. Alb.	1	Bolton Wanderers	0		
Derby County	2	Newcastle United	0		
Sheffield United	0	Liverpool	1		

POSITIONS AND POINTS.

P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
Manchester United	17	11	3	42
Blackburn Rovers	17	10	4	34
Sunderland	18	9	4	29
Bolton Wanderers	17	8	5	24
West Bromwich Alb.	17	7	6	19
Oldham Athletic	17	7	6	19
Sheffield Wed.	18	7	5	19
Bradford City	17	7	5	19
Burnley	18	6	6	18
Aston Villa	17	6	7	18
Liverpool	17	6	7	18
Sheffield United	18	7	3	18
Derby County	18	7	3	18
Sheffield Wed.	18	7	3	18
Chelsea	17	6	5	18
Newcastle United	17	6	5	18
Everton	17	4	7	16
Middlesbrough	17	5	4	14
Manchester City	17	3	6	12
Preston North End	18	3	4	11

SECOND DIVISION.

Results.					
Barnley	0	Hull City	0		
Grimby Town	2	Clapton Orient	0		
Lincoln City	0	Notts County	0		
Nottingham Forest	2	Stockport County	2		
Birmingham	0	Leeds City	2		
Fulham	3	Bristol City	0		
Woolwich Arsenal	1	Glossop	0		
Blackpool	2	Bradford	1		
Bury	1	Wolverhampton W.	0		
Huddersfield	1	Leicester Fosse	2		

POSITIONS AND POINTS.

P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
Notts County	19	10	5	25
Bradford	17	12	0	24
Hull City	17	9	5	23
Leeds City	18	10	2	22
Woolwich Arsenal	17	9	4	22
Fulham	17	8	4	20
Wolverhampton W.	18	8	4	20
Bury	17	7	5	19
Clapton Orient	18	6	6	18
Grimby Town	17	7	4	18
Leicester Fosse	18	8	1	17
Barnley	18	6	5	17
Bristol City	17	5	7	15
Stockport County	17	4	7	15
Birmingham	17	6	3	15
Exeter City	17	3	6	12
Blackpool	17	3	6	12
Glossop	18	4	2	10
Lincoln City	18	3	4	11
Nottm. Forest	18	2	4	12

Southern League.

Results.					
Bristol Rovers	1	Exeter City	1		
Coveントリー City	1	Norwich City	0		
Crystal Palace	1	Gillingham	0		
Merthyr Town	2	Millwall	0		
Plymouth Argyle	2	Brighton & Hove	2		
Queen's Park Rangers	3	Watford	0		
Reading	1	Northampton	1		
Southampton	4	Southend United	2		
Swindon	1	Cardiff City	2		
West Ham	3	Portsmouth	2		

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P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
Swindon Town	17	12	3	27
Crystal Palace	17	9	5	23
Brighton and Hove	18	8	4	22
Reading	17	9	3	21
Northampton	18	6	6	18
Plymouth Argyle	18	6	6	18
West Ham	17	6	5	17
Queen's Park Rangers	17	4	4	16
Exeter City	17	6	6	16
Southampton	17	6	4	16
Southend United	17	6	4	16
Norwich City	18	4	7	15
Coveントリー City	18	4	7	15
Cardiff City	17	5	3	13
Bristol Rovers	17	4	5	13
Gillingham	17	6	1	10
Millwall	18	3	7	13
Merthyr Town	18	4	5	13
Watford	18	4	4	12

NEW ANGLO-JAPAN SERVICE.

The Osaka Shosen Kaisha is, writes a London correspondent, preparing to start a service between Japanese ports and London, and that the vessels will be placed on the route, though at first they will be for cargo only. A few months ago representatives of this Company visited Liverpool and Manchester as well as Hull for the purpose of inquiring into facilities, but for the present the service will be run to the Thames only. I am told that the Department of Communications, Tokyo, proposes to certify the subsidies paid to all the national companies with the exception of those that intend to open up a regular route via the Panama Canal. These subsidies have been an important factor in developing the Japanese mercantile marine. Last year they amounted to more than the net earnings of all the principal companies, but the necessity for financial retrenchment makes their continuance at the present high level impossible.

During the fortnight ended on Dec. 23, 48 ships called at Sasebo, bunkering 5,375 tons; of this total 9 were flying the British flag.

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MY OFFICIAL RETURNS.

A Wozzle writes in The Globe—

Your own registrar has had a serious blow: a nasty smack from my superior (only officially so), the registrar-general. He tells me my doings are all that could be desired, but that my births show a great falling off, being 15,943,996 per cent. below what they should be, and asks whether my returns are correct. Correct! Of course they are. I cannot write my anger at this aspersion on my accuracy: I can only clench my fist, raise my eyebrows, twist my mouth like a sole's, and push the rest off the table.

Falling off! Of course there is. Yet, with my returns in view, I have encouraged matrimony all I can. Young Jones, for instance, who has been sailing in Miss Brown's ciffing for months, yet never rounded Engagement Point: did I not take her for a grandfatherly walk, and urge her not to hold herself so cheap? I advised her to tell him she was unhappy at home, and thought of going on the stage for a living (Jones is "scruffy"); also to say she was invited to visit friends in Australia, but was undecided whether to go or not. That last card won the trick: I ate their wedding cake a week ago, and still know it.

STORY AND MASTERFUL.

Did I not also reveal to Mr. Bates why he had no success with Miss Hobbs? "My boy," I said, "don't play the sentimental spoony fool with her: what that girl wants is a dashing, off-hand novelette hero or villain, it doesn't matter which, so long as he has an eagle eye, and orders her about. You must take the stage yourself, and treat her merely as a super." He followed my advice, spent a week's holiday in the Lyceum pit, and came back so dominating that they were married immediately.

But the falling off in our marriage is so serious that I determined to summon a small informal committee to confer about it. I invited the aid of our dear curate; also of tender Mrs. Cupple, who usually acts as consulting surgeon in all diseases of the heart in Wozzle; and also of Miss Thompson, a past mistress in hooking fish, and the renowned invoker of Shark's Bay—the sitting-out eubies at the back of our ball-room. "Dear friends," I said, "Wozzle has to deplore a sad falling off in marriages; what is the cause, and what are the remedies? Speak, oh experts!" At this the ladies beamed, and our curate looked modestly on the table. I called upon him to lead in speech.

SECRET OF FAILURE.

He said he thought too much freedom was allowed in acquaintanceships. In his dear, good grandmother's time, he had heard, young ladies allowed no young men to be familiar with them except if might be, a deryman. (Here he blushed.) The consequence was, he said, that nowadays young persons saw too much of one another to fall in love—and then he put his foot in it, for both the ladies were highly indignant, saying that it applied only to one sex, and that the more you saw of a woman the more you could not help doing on her. Owing to this unfortunate slip his eloquence was cut off at the meter.

Miss Thompson said she did not agree with the previous speaker, but must confess that the falling off was due very much to her own sex. She had noted and deplored the innumerable chances which chumminess offered, and which inexperienced girls missed. She entered into details of the chances, and made my blood run cold to think of the risks I had been running all my life, the same as experts tell us every railway train does. It appeared that a survey of the stars' moments, a twisted ankle on a walk, a collision at lawn tennis, a "Save me from falling!" on a staircase, or "from drowning!" in a boat, and lots of other situations, might be utilized by either party with the best results. She freely illustrated the subject from her own sporting recollections, in which our curate was deeply interested in spite of himself; he thanked her, and then shivered.

A MARRIAGE DRAWBACK.

Finally Mrs. Cupple delivered herself. She had done all she could to encourage marriage. "She had kept an open table when budding affections might bask in each other's warmth. She had played the part of a vocal 'agony column' had informed A at what time B would be walking in the park; had told C by what train D would be going to town, and had assured E that if he would only meet F at the old place and time, F's accidental kissing of G would be satisfactorily explained. Her labour in the back garden was unequalled for seclusion; and the sticking fast and creaking of her back sitting-room door before it could be opened was a masterpiece of science. She had also hung a parrot there, which whispered 'Sit closer!' at intervals.

Lastly, she pointed out that one great drawback to marriage had been recently removed by a mechanical discovery. Till now, the most rage-provoking duty of a husband has been the hook-and-eyeing of his wife's dress at the back, and rumours of this ordeal, spreading among husbands, had warned many off the ground; but by the adoption of the new patent clips, which close the aperture almost of themselves, the lady is veiled from the world by a tour de main, and the sweetest of tempers maintained. Our curate asked for further explanations, and surveyed the mystery of the back of Miss Thompson's dress with ultra-scientific interest. All this gave us a ray of hope, and the surrounding gloom.

Finally we decided that all we could do was to push our recensions for all they are worth—dancing class, choral class, gym class, field club, lawn tennis club, amateur theatricals, and Church parade; and to meet once a month to register results.

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Alacrity	despatch vessel	1550	2	2000	Comdr. Archibald Cochrane	Hongkong
Admiral	Admiralty tug	—	—	—	—	Hongkong
Bramble	river gunboat	710	2	900	Lt.-Comdr. B. S. Pritchard	Shanghai
Britomart	river gunboat	710	2	900	Lt.-Comdr. W. H. Darwall	Shanghai
Cadmus	aloop	1070	6	1400	Capt. H. P. R. Williams	Shanghai
Chelmer	torpedo boat destroyer	561	4	700	Lt.-Comdr. H. T. England	Hongkong
Cherub	water tank and tug	324	—	—	—	Hongkong
Clio	aloop	1070	6	1400	Comdr. Colin Mackenzie, D.S.O.	Shanghai
Colne	torpedo boat destroyer	551	4	7300	Lt.-Comdr. M. R. Dickett	Hongkong
Fame	torpedo boat destroyer	550	6	5700	Lt.-Comdr. C. M. Blackman	Hongkong
Hampshire	cruiser, 1st class	10,250	10	23,500	Capt. M. R. Hill	Canton
Jed	torpedo boat destroyer	551	4	7500	Lt.-Comdr. G. F. A. Mulock	Hongkong
Kannet	torpedo boat destroyer	551	4	7500	Lt.-Comdr. E. K. Boddam-Whetham	Hongkong
Kinsale	river gunboat	710	2	1200	Lt.-Comdr. H. D. Marryat	Yangtze
Merlin	aloop	1540	—	—	Capt. F. C. O. Passo	Hongkong
Minotaur	cruiser, 1st class	14,500	—	27,000	Capt. E. B. Kiddle	Hongkong
Moorehead	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. Alan Dixon	West River
Newcastle	cruiser, 2nd class	4500	12	22,000	Capt. Frederick A. Powlett	Shanghai
Nightingale	river gunboat	55	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. Malcolm Murray	Yangtze River
Ribble	torpedo boat destroyer	550	—	7500	Lt.-Comdr. R. W. Wilkinson	Hongkong
Rosario	depot ship, submarines	930	—	1400	Lt.-Comdr. F. A. N. Cronin	Hongkong
Robin	river gunboat	55	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. Nash	West River
Sandpiper	river gunboat	55	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. I. A. S. Hutton	Hongkong
Snipe	river gunboat	55	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. Maurice B. Leslie	Yangtze River
Tamar	receiving ship	6550	—	—	Commodore R. H. Anstruther, C.M.G.	Hongkong
Teal	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. Hon. G. Stopford	Upper Yangtze River
Thistle	river gunboat	710	2	900	Lt.-Comdr. H. R. N. Cottrill-Dormer	Canton
Triumph	battleship	11,985	18	12,500	Capt. P. Stratfield, M.V.O.	Hongkong
Uk	torpedo boat destroyer	550	—	7500	Lt.-Comdr. Maxwell	Hongkong
Welland	torpedo boat destroyer	550	—	7500	Comdr. Seymour	Hongkong
Widgeon	river gunboat	195	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. J. C. F. Borrett	Upper Yangtze River
Woodcock	river gunboat	150	2	500	Lt.-Comdr. M. Blackwood	Yangtze River
Woodlark	river gunboat	150	2	500	Lt.-Comdr. Lloyd	Yangtze River
Yarmouth	light cruiser	6250	—	22,000	Capt. H. L. Cochrane	Shanghai
C.38	submarine	—	—	—	Lt.-Comdr. F. J. McGillevie	Hongkong
C.37	submarine	—	—	—	Lt.-Comdr. J. Gaiman	Hongkong
C.38	submarine	—	—	—	Lt.-Comdr. R. K. C. Pope	Hongkong
.035	torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lt.-Comdr. Handley	Hongkong
.038	torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lt.-Comdr. Barton	West River
.037	torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lt.-Comdr. Nicol	West River
.058	torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lt.-Comdr. H. W. Seymour	Hongkong

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Name.	Flag and description.	Tonn.	guns.	cal.	Captains.	Last report of
Kaiserin Elisabeth	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	4000	—	—	Capt. Makovitz	Foochow
Dupleix †	French armoured cruiser	10,014	30.	20,000	Capt. Daveluy	Hongkong
Kleber	French armoured cruiser	9710	13	18,000	Capt. Gouta	Saigon
Montcalm	French flagship	9600	—	—	Capt. de Vaisseau	Saigon
Decidie	French gunboat	445	10	1200	Lieut. Vandier	Saigon
Argus	French river gunboat	180	6	570	Lieut. Dordet	Canton
Vigilante	French gunboat	123	7	500	Lieut. de Jervillier	Canton
Peiho	French gunboat	120	—	—	Lieut. Collin	Tientsin
Dondard de Lagree	French gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Dupuy Dutemps	Tsahong-Nim

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In scornful adieu to his opponents, as he must often have turned on his pony and shaken his fist defiantly at the baffled British columns hurrying after him in vain pursuit. The veteran guerilla leader still represents the last stand of obstinate Dopperism, of that indomitable clinging to the ancient ways that brought the Republic to the ground. Beaten in the field, the warriors of the veldt are seeking to win back the ascendancy of their race in the council chamber, and they invoke all the fierce prejudices of the past against the saner statesmanship which points to reconciliation and unity. General Botha's task is difficult enough in any case, and one can understand his reluctance to give a handle to his rivals by concessions on the colour problem. It is not the Dutch Afrikaners alone who would keep all brown men, as well as black men, in a condition of semi-servile subordination. We may censure and deplore this feeling; but it is not unnatural or unintelligible to those who have lived in countries where Asiatics or Africans form a great majority of the population. The sentiment is common to Australia, to British Columbia, to California, as well as to South Africa. In all these areas there is the determination of the white man to assert the supremacy of the race, and the haunting dread that he may be submerged or overwhelmed by those who represent alien ideals and an inferior civilisation. This may be a good reason for keeping the Indians away from South Africa altogether; it is not an excuse for treating those who have been admitted, and whose services have been indispensable to Natal, with harshness and tyranny. The Union Government would not with wisdom as well as equity if it lost no time in redressing the genuine grievances of the immigrants and calming down the ferment, which may extend beyond the ranks of these settlers. There are signs that the unrest is spreading to the aboriginal population and in fact serious rioting has already broken out amongst the Kaffirs employed at some of the Rand mines. The disturbance was not quelled until the police had fired into the mob, killing three natives and wounding twenty-two more. We do not know how far this unfortunate business was directly due to the Indian agitation; but it shows at least that a Government with so many coloured subjects should check the excesses of racial intolerance without loss of time. South Africa is not and never can be a "white man's country"; the white man must live there side by side with the coloured man and must learn to make him not only orderly, but contented.

These are considerations which affect the Union itself. So far as the Kaffirs and other aborigines are concerned, we can only assume the detached attitude of sympathetic on-lookers. But the Indian question is unhappily not merely the domestic affair of one of our self-governing Colonies. It comes home to us very closely, since it touches the interests and susceptibilities of a great number of British subjects for whom the Empire as a whole is responsible. It was not surprising that Lord Hardinge addressed a remonstrance to the Secretary for India, urging that a thorough inquiry should be held by a committee on which the Indians should be represented. The Government of India could do no less. It is the vindicator of the rights and liberties of 300 millions of persons who claim the protection of the Imperial Crown, and assert that they have as much title to settle and trade in South Africa as South Africans have to come to India. This adds to the awkwardness and complexity of the question. On the one side are the Afrikaners who say, plausibly enough, "This is our country. It was we, not the Indians, who won it from savagery, who pushed into the wilderness, who went through all the hardships of pioneering and conquest. India had none of the toil and the sweat; and we to allow her to come in to deprive us of all the fruits of our labour, and turn this outpost of Europe we have set up under the Southern Cross into an annex of Asia?" But the Indians, much encouraged thereby by their agitators, answer with the appeal to the great British principle of equal treatment. They, too, they urge, are British subjects. They ask only the right to live peacefully and work honestly under the British flag; and they demand that their Emperor, the Kaiser-Emperor, shall order his subjects in another part of his dominions to admit their claim. "It is not easy to explain to them that under our constitutional system a British self-governing State makes such immigration and settlement laws as it pleases. The whole question points to a defect in our Imperial system which may produce further and graver inconveniences. It is unsatisfactory that two portions of the Imperial realm should stand towards one another in the relation of entirely separate and independent States. India, it seems, has no more power to claim justice from South Africa than Japan or China. Indeed, she

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The French Mail of the 16th December was delivered in London on the 14th Jan.

Latest Home Football League Results up to and including Saturday, 20th ult., will be found on page 6.

Torpedo boat G37 arrived yesterday from Wei-hai-wei, and torpedo boats G33 and G38 sailed today.

On page 3 will be found a summary of home news taken from the latest "Daily Telegraph" to hand via Siberia. (Dec. 28th).

Roses, rhododendrons, clematis, foxgloves, dahlias, and other flowers were still in bloom in the gardens of Hampton Court, Palace on December 8.

Robbers stole \$97 and some clothing yesterday from a vehicle at Kan Tin, New Territories, occupied by a Chinese contractor's foreman.

General Burkill, of the Peak, has reported to the police that Mrs. Burkill lost a diamond brooch on the way home from Government House.

An unemployed European named F. Powell was found yesterday lying in the Naval Ordnance Yard. As he was obviously sick, he was sent to the Government Civil Hospital.

On Tuesday next 20th inst. the a.s. "Wuchang," built by the Taikoo Dockyard and Engineering Company of Hongkong, Ltd., will be launched at the Company's docks, Quarry Bay.

The first Tange tea in this part of the world came off fifty miles from Kuala Lumpur on Saturday, Dec. 3rd, and was voted a huge success by all who took part in it, says the Malay Mail.

On page 5 will be found an interesting account of the recent tragedy which occurred in Germany, when Count Von Buddow-Mielzynski shot dead his wife and nephew, news of which was wired by Reuters at the time.

Captain George Lammert, who went to camp with his Volunteer company last week-end, has had the misfortune to sustain rather a severe accident. While passing through a Chinese village Capt. Lammert stepped on a loose paving stone which turned over, and he was thrown heavily on to his right arm. The exact nature of the injury was not at once ascertained, but it is believed that the arm is fractured just above the wrist.

As advertised in another column, Messrs. Hughes and Hough will sell by public auction at the Race Course to-morrow morning, at 8 o'clock, a number of ponies, including one dour pony received as a Subscriptions Gift and rejected by Subscribers on account of lameness. This pony, if bought by a member of Hongkong Jockey Club, will be eligible to be entered for the forthcoming Race Meeting as a Subscriptions Gift.

Brigadier General H. N. C. Heath commanding the 11th Infantry Brigade, who has been promoted to major-general, is an old commanding officer of the King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry, in which regiment most of his regimental life was spent. His active service includes the Egyptian expedition of 1882, when he was transport officer; the Sudan expedition of 1894-5, when he was given the brevet of major; and the South African war, first on the Staff and then in command of his regiment. He has since filled many important posts at the War Office, and he has commanded the 11th Infantry Brigade since July, 1910.

The members of the R. E. Quadrille Club, held a successful whist drive dance at the R. E. T. Centre, Queen's Road, last night. Q. M. Sergt. Axford and Corp. Grimes were the M. C.'s and generally supervised the work of the committee. The whist prizes were distributed by Q. M. Sergt. Axford during a break in the dance programme. Ladies—1st, Mrs. H. Axford; 2nd, Mrs. Pile; 3rd, Mrs. Quarterman; 4th, Mrs. Fuller. Gents—1st, Mr. Pile; 2nd, Mr. Nevill; 3rd, Mr. Eves; 4th, Mr. Whiting. Booby prize, Mr. Pile. Dancing continued until the early morn, Messrs. Jenkins and Elliott providing the music.

has less; for the foreign Government might, if it thought fit, enforce its demand by reprisals or hostile measures, while the British dominion or dependency has no such resource.

There ought clearly to be some machinery for bringing the Imperial prerogative into play in such international disputes. Nobody wants to precipitate the creation of that Federal Constitution which the Colonies are not yet ready to receive. But some kind of Federal or Imperial tribunal of supreme appeal, in political, as well as legal, matters seems to be required, if the component populations of the Empire are really to enjoy all the benefits of the Imperial connection. Now, however, the connection is deliberately being questioned, it is to be hoped that a satisfactory solution to all parties may be reached.

THE CHUNG SAU NAM CASE.

Today's Proceedings.

The hearing of the motion for the dismissal of the civil action against Chung Sau Nam on the grounds of its being frivolous and vexatious and an abuse of the process of the Court was continued before their Lordships the Chief Justice (Sir William Rogers Davies) and the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Compton) in the Full Court today.

Sir Francis Pigott and Mr. C. G. Alabaster, instructed by Mr. W. B. Hind (from Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton's office) appear on behalf of Chung Sau Nam, while the plaintiffs, the Governor-General and the Commissioner of Finance for the Province of Kwangtung, are represented by Messrs. E. H. Sharp, R.C., Eldon Potter and F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. R. F. C. Mearns (of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Mearns).

Mr. Sharp, who opened his address on the previous afternoon, reminded their Lordships that when the Court adjourned he was referring to the Government of the State of Kwangtung. Whatever the purpose of the revolutionary movement there may have been, he said, and if it was—which they did not admit to establish an independent Republic of Kwangtung, it had wholly failed to do so. He had read extracts from the Governor-General's affidavit which showed that this short-lived movement had finally languished for want of local support and because of local opposition, and the general feeling was that the movement had no substantial support within Kwangtung, to say nothing of without. Chang Kwing Ming finally fled and took protection in the Foreign Settlement because he had come to realise the absolute hopelessness of his position. He had drawn their Lordships' attention to the fact that President Yuan's order of the 26th July referred to the proclamation in incorrect terms, which he thought were easily comprehensible in view of the fact that it was naturally their disposition to make the worst case against Chan. The official considered view was—as he thought it only could be in accordance with the evidence now available—that which their Lordships would find in the Governor-General's affidavit; all the facts being now within the knowledge of officials, and it was no artificial position taken up in defiance of the proclamation. Counsel asked their Lordships to note that in the same order of Yuan's he knew and recognised that the Province was not substantially with Chan. All the evidence went to show that this was so. The man had to run away for want of support. It could not be contended that he was turned out by any force from Peking. Such force had not arrived. Yuan's letter showed that he was aware at that time of the loyalty of the merchants and better classes. The better classes, the merchants and the troops were complimented for not taking part with this rebel, Chan. "I don't know whether analogies will serve any useful purpose," continued Mr. Sharp, "but one has just crossed my mind: the Duke of Monmouth's rising or rebellion in England in James II. reign. I think a much stronger case could be made out in favour of the Duke of Monmouth than he succeeded in establishing a kingdom. He landed somewhere in the west of England. He was declared king by his followers, making some title there as a descendant of Charles II. He raised considerable sums of money. He held the towns of Taunton, Exeter, Bridport and other places. The Royalist troops were sent from London to meet him, and they met at Sedgemoor."

The Chief Justice: Would you apply it also to the case of Sir Edward Carson? (Laughter).

Mr. Sharp: My friend (Mr. Potter) would probably like to address the Court on that point (renewed laughter). Proceeding, Counsel said the history of the Duke of Monmouth was probably well known to their Lordships. "I am king," that was the proclamation he made as Taunton. As king he raised an army, collected and received money and had a fund of his own. He led his troops as far as Sedgemoor, where he met the Royalist troops sent from London to suppress the rebellion, and was defeated. That was a case in which a man declared himself the head of a new State, and whose followers joined in a movement with the object of setting him up as king of England. There could be no question about the object of that, and it was more successful than the rising in Kwangtung. It might be argued in the former case that there was, for a period, a separate kingdom established. A de facto independent government, or a de facto independent state, had a certain definite meaning in international law: mere gerrym, which the Court had heard so much about, a mere scintilla or mere microbes were not enough. It, before six months were passed, we should see an emperor again at Peking, that would not affect international law on the point as to whether the Republic of China had succeeded in establishing an independent state. The Republic of China had, for two or three years, exercised de facto control over the whole of the country. Again, the Confederate States held their own for three years. They had their president and a full system of government: they had a legislature which administered law over their own people and the foreigners within their territory. They were recognised as belligerents not only by the other Powers, but by the Northern States. But even with regard to their position, the question had been raised as to whether they had done enough to be called a de facto independent state, and, if so, their Lordships would find, even in that case, that differ-

BALL AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

Just as we were going to press we were informed by telephone that invitations are being issued for a big ball at Government House to be held on Thursday, 19th Feb.

THE ESCAPED PRISONER.

Lukong Charged.

The Lukong from whose custody a prisoner escaped from the Government Civil Hospital on Tuesday was charged at the Magistrate's today with neglect of duty, and was formally remanded.

The prisoner, who had served half a term of seven years' hard labour for armed robbery, is still at large.

FOREIGN YOUTHS SENTENCED.

Six Months' for Swindling.

Three foreign youths were sentenced at the Magistrate's this morning to six months' hard labour for conspiring to defraud a number of Hongkong shopkeepers by obtaining a quantity of goods by means of a trick. They were Joseph Kelly, 20, an Australian, of no fixed abode and unemployed; Louis John Baxter, 25, an Englishman, also unemployed, of 6 Chiu Shing Lane, Wan-chai; and Sam Den Homan, 19, an American, described as a stockbroker, of no fixed abode. The goods obtained in the charge sheet comprised shirts, silk coats, a handkerchief, some d.o.s. of silk handkerchiefs and socks, clothes, neckties and other articles of wearing apparel, and leather trunks.

ent views were taken by different authorities. Some authorities took the view that they had not. Counsel asked how the Court could embark on an analogy between the Confederate States and this trumphy rising in Canton which fizzled out from its own weakness. It could not have accomplished what even our Courts had not accomplished. Part of the fourth paragraph of the affidavit filed by Mr. Hind on December 16th read as follows: "On or about July 21st the said Chan, with the concurrence of the Provincial Assembly of Kwangtung, declared the said Province to be independent of the Republic of China, and established a de facto and independent government of Kwangtung." That was a clear statement to the effect of what Chan's declaration was. In the next paragraph it was clearly stated, "The Republic of Kwangtung." Paragraph 8 stated that the Provisional President of the Republic (Yuan) directed military operations against Chan and recovered possession of Kwangtung on behalf of the Republic of China, and re-established authority therein on behalf of the Republic of China. That was a clear statement that there was an independent state de facto.

Counsel referred to the first legal consequence stated by Sir Francis Pigott as follows: "The first legal position which results from the declaration is that seizures of property were actual and effective to divest the possession from the old government and to vest it in the rebel government."

Sir Francis Pigott—I added, "unbrought, if you like, but actual."

Mr. Sharp—Yes, but the defendant has got to prove his case. I hope my friend will not think I am saying it improperly, but I honestly do not understand his very subtle language. I cannot understand what degree of success he attributes to this movement, and how he brings it within the historical passage I don't know.

Sir Francis Pigott—He doesn't try to. Mr. Sharp—I do. I say he has to, and unless he does I am content to go on. I think my friend rightly described Mr. Chan's case in his opening as a leading case, then he weakened in his argument and seemed to doubt his own case.

Sir Francis Pigott—Oh, no. Quite the reverse.

Mr. Sharp—I am very glad indeed you uphold Mr. Chan. There is no doubt that case is considered to set out the law perhaps better than any other judgment. That case, I think, makes it quite clear that any friend has to put his case as high as he can before he can argue under international law that the property passed at all. Possession will pass, but not dominion.

Sir Francis Pigott—I used the words, possession but not dominion.

Mr. Sharp—I have not spoken for two days, Sir Francis; please allow me. I am now setting up my case. In order that dominion shall pass, the new state claiming to have stepped into the shoes of the old state must have satisfied the requirements of international law. Otherwise the defendant would be a mere rebel and public plunderer who acquired possession, but not dominion.

The Chief Justice—It all depends, does it not, on how far the rebellion has succeeded?

Mr. Sharp—Very largely so. The point I am now late to show how far that is, it is a matter of degree. If I get up and declare myself I should be a microbe independent.

The Chief Justice—Mr. Potter is becoming rather infected with microbes (laughter).

Mr. Sharp said that Counsel had to remember that some authorities thought the Confederate States made themselves a de facto independent at the time, while others thought they did not. The position of the Confederate States was wholly different from the position of Chan and his friends, for they had done enough to entitle them to be recognised as a de facto independent state. The case is proceeding.

The "Glow Labour Gazette" of Odessa, made its forty-seventh appearance under the direction of its eleventh editor, whose ten predecessors are all in prison.

FIRE IN COCHRANE STREET.

THREE FLOORED HOUSE OUTFIRE.

A three floored Chinese business house in Cochrane Street was gutted this morning, and at the time we went to press three of the occupants of the premises are missing. The premises are situated in Cochrane Street, in the centre of a very congested neighbourhood between Queen's Road Central and Wellington Street, and it was only a few minutes work on the part of the fire brigade which prevented a big conflagration. As it was their promptness and effective method of dealing with the blaze confined the fire to the one shop, even the adjoining houses being only slightly scorched. The fire originated in a joss paper, candle and cracker shop on the ground floor occupied by one Kwat Hing, who has private address in 7, Wai On Lane. At the time of the fire he is supposed to have been on the shop premises, and up to midday there was no information as to his whereabouts. On the first floor a Chinese eye doctor had rooms while the second and third floors were let out in cubicles to various people, including five of Messrs. Watson's coolies and several Chinese families.

The alarm reached the Central Police Station and the fire station—both within a few hundred yards of the premises—at 7.15 and practically the whole of the firemen were on the spot within a few minutes. Speedy was their arrival there was then no hope of saving the premises, which were "belching flame from every window, the fire finding plenty of material in the wooden partitions, staircases and floors. Seven ladders were got to work, and with a pressure which carried the water to every part of the house, by eight o'clock or thereabouts the flames had been so far subdued that all but a few of the firemen were able to leave—a speedy piece of fire fighting. So much care had been devoted to the prevention of the fire spreading to the adjoining houses that only a little of the wood work of these premises was damaged.

Of the shop in which the fire broke out only the shell and a few charred floor beams remain, the building being open to the sky. At ten o'clock this morning two men and a boy were unaccounted for.

The fire broke out at 3.45 p.m. yesterday in a street of shops collected for the purpose of housing junkies, and the flames quickly spread to several other shops adjoining. The fire brigade at the No. 1 fire station was telephoned for, and arriving on the spot the fire was prevented from spreading to the houses near by. The damage is estimated at \$193.

Damage to the amount of about \$5 was caused yesterday morning in a Chinese house, 15 St. Street, the fire spreading through a servant girl carelessly placing a charcoal iron on a bed. The innmate and police put out the flames.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The Hon. W. Evans, Resident of Penang, Mrs. Evans and Miss Evans leave for home by the steamer Nankin on February 13.

Miss May Yoh, who had arrived in New York from Europe, says she is returning to England this year to be married. All endeavors to induce Miss Yoh to divulge the name of her fiancé were futile.

Hilda Mary Clavering, Countess De La Warr, has been granted by Mr. Justice Baggallay in the Divorce Court a decree of restitution of conjugal rights against her husband, Gilbert George Reginald Sackville, Earl De La Warr. There was no defence.

Mr. J. Argill Robertson is expected to arrive in Kuala Lumpur some time before the end of this month to assume charge of the Chartered Bank in the F.M.S. Mr. D. W. Gilmour will be leaving on furlough about the end of March or beginning of April.

SERPENTINE SWIMMING CLUB.

Race for "Belldios Shield."

Although the water was at a temperature of only 29 deg. on Saturday morning, Dec. 19th, a large number of swimmers competed in a race for the "Hon. E. R. Bellios, C.M.G. Memorial Shield" over a distance of 75 yards. A fine race ensued, the result being as follows: G. H. Johnson (3 sec. start); 1, A. E. Ripper (25 sec.); 2, A. A. Pelham (25 sec.); and A. G. Fairhall (30 sec.). The winner, who started virtually from scratch, only won by a touch. True handicap time was 25 sec. "Daily Telegraph."

GROUP.

EVERY young child is susceptible to croup. Don't wait until the disease attacks your little one before you prepare for it. It comes in the night when chemical shops are usually closed, and this Chamberlain's Cough Remedy on hand. It never fails, acts quickly and is absolutely harmless. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

BIRTH.

TURNER.—At Sharnon, Canton, on 14th January, the wife of W. C. D. TURNER, of a son.

MARRIAGE.

MOORE.—On January 6, at St. Andrew's Cathedral, Singapore, by the Lord Bishop of Singapore, assisted by the Venerable Archdeacon Iard, Captain W. L. A. Moore, Royal Artillery, of Ballygally Castle, Co. Antrim, to Victor, youngest daughter of the late Robert Lyon Moore, D.L., of Moleenam, Co. Londonderry, and of Mrs. Lyon Moore, Cliff, Belleek, Co. Fermanagh.

MEMO. FOR TO-DAY.

Concert at Seamen's Institute. "Court Cards" at Theatre Royal.

MEMO. FOR TOMORROW.

8 a.m.—Auction of Ponies at the Race Course, Happy Valley.
Hon. Mr. Claud Severn presents prizes at the Diocesan School Orphanage.
9 p.m.—Engineers' Ball at City Hall.

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, January 17.—Entries close for Hongkong Races. Lady May presents prizes at Bellios School.

SUNDAY, January 18.—Excursion to Macao. Field Day for Reserves and Volunteers.

MONDAY, January 19.—Noon.—H.E. Sir Henry May presents prizes at Queen's College. Entries close for H.K. Football Challenge Shield.

5.30 p.m.—Organ Recital at St. John's Cathedral.

TUESDAY, January 20.—H.K. Missionary Association Meeting. 4 p.m.—Launch of a.s. "Wuchang" at Taikoo Dockyard.

WEDNESDAY, January 21.—Annual Sports of H. K. S. B. R. G. A. M. S. O. Ground, Kowloon.

FRIDAY, January 23.—Stockbrokers' Settling Day. Presentation of Prizes at Girls' Diocesan School, Kowloon.

SATURDAY, January 24.—Bing at the City Hall.

MONDAY, January 26.—Chinese New Year Day. 10 a.m.—H.K. Cricket Club v United Services on Club ground.

SATURDAY, February 7.—9.15 p.m.—Philharmonic Society's Concert.

TUESDAY, February 10.—5.30 p.m.—Organ Recital at St. John's Cathedral.

WED., Feb. 11, THUR., 12 & FRI. 13.—"The Idle Eye" by H.E. A.D.C. at Theatre Royal, City Hall.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, Jan. 15, 1914.

SOUTH AFRICAN POLITICS.

In the course of an article in a London contemporary on the recent Indian trouble in South Africa the origin of the mischief is dealt with. It was unfortunate that this vexed question should have reached a crisis just as a new and critical phase in the party politics of the South African Union should have developed. There is, however, no organic connection between the "passive resistance" of the Indians and the secession of General Hertzog and his followers from the "Unionist" party, but the two things cannot be kept quite separate, for, as a matter of fact, the revolt against the Premier is the resurgence of the old Dutch reactionary sentiment against the statesman who is suspected of conceding too much to the English idea of progressiveness and modernity. Not without significance was it that the last man to leave the South African Party Congress in the procession of seceding Hertzogites was Christian de Wet, waving his hand

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE CATASTROPHE IN JAPAN.

CASUALTIES "THE HEAVIEST KNOWN."

LONDON, Jan. 15.
Reuter's correspondent at Nagasaki states that the warships have sent a wireless message to the effect that the earthquake casualties at Kagoshima are probably "the heaviest known."
None have been saved in three villages, notwithstanding the heroic efforts of the rescuers, who worked despite the hail of burning rocks.
The earthquake has now subsided though rumblings continue.
A typhoon is blowing and there are fifteen feet of ashes at Kagoshima.
Many people were drowned while trying to swim to a place of safety, while others were suffocated by poisonous gases.

DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENT.

LONDON, Jan. 15.
A telegram from The Hague states that Baron Van Asbeck from the Paris Embassy, has been appointed Dutch Ambassador at Tokyo.

THE SOUTH AFRICAN LABOUR TROUBLES.

Martial Law Proclaimed.

LONDON, Jan. 14.
Martial law was proclaimed in railway spheres in the Transvaal, Orange Free State, and Natal yesterday evening, after the Federation of Trades had declared a general strike. The miners will cease work this afternoon.

No Trouble with the Natives Expected.

Sir Louis Botha, as Minister for Native Affairs, circularised the native compounds explaining the position and calling on the men to keep quiet. No trouble is anticipated with the natives, but all precautions are being taken, and special guards have been appointed in the various compounds.

Dynamite Still Being Used.

LATER.
A telegram from Johannesburg states that dynamite still continues to be found on the railway.

Strict Martial Law.

Reuter's Capetown correspondent telegraphs that the regulations under martial law are very vigorous and comprehensive, forbidding, *inter alia*, the publication of false or alarming news.

LEEDS STRIKE SETTLED.

LONDON, Jan. 14.
The strike at Leeds has been formally settled.

CONFLAGRATION IN MONTREAL.

Firemen Injured.

LONDON, Jan. 14.
Reuter's Montreal correspondent telegraphs that a fire is raging in the "wholesale" district, and threatens to destroy the Roman Catholic Cathedral of Notre Dame, and a section of the town from the Cathedral to the water front. Many firemen have been injured. The temperature is 25 degrees below zero.

ANOTHER EARTHQUAKE.

LONDON, Jan. 14.
A telegram from Lima states that the lower quarters of Callao (Peru) were inundated yesterday morning by a great tidal wave, simultaneously with earthquake shocks, lasting 55 seconds. There were no fatalities.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE.

LONDON, Jan. 14.
Mr. Lloyd George, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, has arrived in London, and has said that he returned from Algiers on account of the weather.

CURE THAT COUGH.

WHEN you have a troublesome cough it does not mean that you have consumption or that you are going to have it, but it does mean that your lungs are threatened, and it is just as well to be on the safe side and take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy before it is too late. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

DISASTER AT SEA.

FEARED LOSS OF THE "COBEQUID."

LONDON, Jan. 15.
A telegram from Reuter's correspondent at Halifax states that the Royal Mail steamer "Cobequid" from Bermuda struck the Grand Manan. She sent wireless messages for help, but Government steamers sent in search found no trace of the vessel, which is believed to have been lost.
She carried eleven passengers, ninety of a crew, and had a cargo of sugar for St. John, New Brunswick.
The "Royal George" was picked up a call from the "Cobequid," showing that she is still afloat though, so far, all efforts to ascertain her position have failed.
The "Cobequid" was formerly the Union Castle liner "Duth."

THE COURT CARDS.

The audience at the Theatre Royal last night, though not large, was very appreciative of the excellent programme submitted by this versatile company, whose visit to Hongkong is now drawing to a close. Among the many items submitted none was more enjoyable than the singing of "My Blue Bird" by Miss Maude Fawcett, who also received loud applause for her other contributions. Mr. Edgar Warwick's extraordinarily funny narrative of "The Old Woman Who Lived in a Shoe" was another delightful item. The whole programme, indeed, was in keeping with the first-rate performances already given by the Court Cards.
A change of programme is promised for to-night, and to-morrow night.

ENGLISH AS SHE IS WROTE.

The following amusing letter was recently received by a local solicitor:—
Dear Sir,
I regret exceedingly to have the following to annoy you that on September last year I changed with debts case and you had put the case settled on March 1913, but after it finished, he immediately bankrupted. Therefore he agree to pay by instalments \$30.00 per month.
Since then it has been nine months long, still the Magistrate has not distributed me the money so that I write to solicit you to go carefully into the matter.
Kindly favour me an early reply as to when he will pay me and thanking you in anticipation.
I remain, Dear Sir,
Yours faithfully,
FREAK "SOCIETIES" IN GERMANY.

Germany is said to hold the record for societies with extraordinary objects. One of these is entitled "Society for Promoting Good Manners Amongst the Poor," whilst another unites in the bonds of fellowship all Germans wearing a pointed beard. A curious association is that of ex-convicts, detention for six months in an asylum being the qualification for membership.
The latest society is that for promoting the more general adoption of the name Wilhelm, presumably in compliment to the Emperor. As illustrating the craze for associations in Germany it may be mentioned that in the little town of Wetzlar, with only 2,000 inhabitants, there are 22 "societies."

MISS MAUD ALLAN AND THE FAR EAST.

Mr. D. E. D. Cohen, who arrived at Penang from Cebu recently, is directing the tour of Miss Maud Allan and the Chatterbox troupe in the Far East. He informed the Penang Gazette that Miss Allan will give a performance in Penang on Monday, February 2. The celebrated classical dancer leaves Penang on January 23. The opening performance at Singapore will be on February 4.

AN UNDERTAKER.

An undertaker, appearing in the debtor's box at Clerkenwell County Court, said that on a funeral costing £2 3s 6d, his total profit was 2s. 9d.

SWEN PETERSON.

Swen Peterson was married at Minneapolis to Christina Hansson, with whom he fell in love forty-seven years ago in Sweden.

THE BRITISH BULLDOG CLUB.

The British Bulldog Club's annual championship show, which opened at Leicester recently, attracted 300 entries, representing dogs valued at £20,000.
Alterations at Woolwich sorting office have led to the discovery of two letters which were posted thirty-four years ago. They have been delivered.

SOMETHING TO REMEMBER.

IN buying a cough medicine for children, bear in mind that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the best for colds, croup and whooping cough, and that it contains no harmful drug. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP.

JOHNSON TO MEET MORAN.

LONDON, Jan. 15.
A telegram from Paris states that articles have been signed for a match for the heavyweight boxing championship of the world between Jack Johnson and Frank Moran.
The fight will probably take place on the evening of the Grand Prix.
Johnson receives £6,000 win or lose plus £10,000 for training expenses and Moran £10,000.
The money will be provided by three American millionaires.

SCOTTISH SPORT.

EDINBURGH, Dec. 23.
Within the space of a week, Edinburgh University have scored three outstanding successes. They began by a win at home over Cambridge University; followed it up at Belfast by defeating Queen's University, who until then had a clean record; and completed their assertion of University superiority at Dublin, where they had quite a decisive victory over the Dublin students, who had previously humiliated Oxford. On paper their back division is not brilliant, but it is essentially sound and dependable, and its defence is irreproachable. Their triumph is, however, in great measure due to the strength of their forwards, and their adaptability to any requirements. It is to be feared that the tendency of the modern game is to destroy initiative among forwards, and yet here is a club which succeeds simply because its forwards refuse to be bound by the fashionable convention of heeding to their backs and then admiring the scenery. Of course it would be foolish to advocate any total revision to the old-fashioned methods, but the record of Edinburgh University is an eloquent plea in favour of forwards who play more than a mere mechanical game.

RESULTS.
Glas. Acads., 10; Greenock Wm., 7. Watsonians, 5; R.H.S., F.P., 0. West, 14; Clyde, 0.
Muir, Academicals, 13; Selkirk, 3. Hawick, 23; Institution F.P., 5. Heronians, 14; Kelvins, Acads., 10. Stewartians, 15; Melrose, 6. Jed Forest, 14; Oala, 8. Glas. University, 33; Ayr, 0.

ASSOCIATION.

There are three clubs, and three clubs only, in the Scottish League—Celtic, Hearts, and Rangers. On Saturday, Celtic lost one point of their lead, merely drawing with Motherwell. The absence of such a strong bustling forward as McAtee had its effect on a fine so long dependent on a leader of the Quinn type, and there was little of real danger in the many raids on their opponents' goal. Motherwell, however, played a grand defensive game, the backs being chiefly responsible for the division of points. The Hearts were undoubtedly better than Celtic, and had quite two-thirds of the play, though they obtained their only goal from a haphazard effort. Rangers got two goals from Dundee when only one separated the teams in point of merit. The three leaders stand thus—Celtic, 34 points; Hearts, 33 points; and Rangers, 31 points. They have all played 20 games.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE—FIRST DIVISION.

Celtic, 0; Motherwell, 0.
Hearts, 1; Clyde, 0.
Rangers, 2; Dundee, 0.
Third Lanark, 3; Morton, 1.
Partick Thistle, 2; Raith Rovers, 0.
Fulford, 3; Queen's Park, 2.
Airdrieonians, 4; St. Mirren, 1.
Hamilton Acads., 0; Kilmarnock, 0.
Fife, 2; Ayr United, 1.
Dumbarton, 3; Aberdeen, 2.

SECOND DIVISION.

Leith, 1; East Stirling, 1.
Vale of Leven, 2; St. Bernard's, 1.
Dumfries Athletic, 0; Arthur's, 1.
Cowdenbeath, 2; Johnstone, 0.
St. Johnstone, 2; Aberdeen, 0.

SCOTTISH QUALIFYING CUP—Replayed Final Tie.

Albion Rovers, 1; Dundee Hibernian, 1.
SCOTTISH LEAGUE—FIRST DIVISION.
P. W. L. D. Pts.
Celtic 20 16 2 2 34
Hearts of Mid-Lan. 20 14 1 5 33
Rangers 20 13 4 1 31
Airdrieonians 20 10 4 6 28
Fulford 20 10 5 5 28
Morton 18 12 5 1 25
Dundee 20 8 2 22
Hibernian 20 8 3 9 19
Third Lanark 17 7 3 4 18
Clyde 16 6 6 18
Dumbarton 15 6 7 4 16
Ayr United 17 10 2 16
Raith Rovers 20 6 11 3 15
St. Mirren 16 6 11 2 14
Partick Thistle 16 5 10 4 14
Queen's Park 19 4 10 5 13
Motherwell 19 5 11 3 13
Hamilton Acads. 10 4 11 4 12
Kilmarnock 18 8 12 4 10
Aberdeen 20 2 15 5 9

SCOTTISH CUP.

Is cricket in Scotland improving? Mr. H. Hay Brown, Edinburgh Academicals, had no hesitation in telling the members of the Scottish Cricket Union that in his opinion, the general standard of cricket had risen during the last 25 or 30 years. He did not go the length of saying that the best batsmen of the present day were better than the best batsmen of the last generation; but he asserted that the ordinary cricketer was better. Some years ago, when three or four wickets had fallen, the side was pronounced to be "out of the game." It was quite different now. Now 5 to 10 were quite as difficult to put out as Nos. 1 to 5.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Wah Tai Yat Po's Service.)

TIENTSIN ICEBOUND.

PEKING, Jan. 14.

The river Peiho has frozen and the ice-breaker has been put into operation. If its work is successful river traffic to Tientsin should be reopened about the middle of this month.

A MILITARY MEETING.

PEKING, Jan. 14.
A grand military meeting is to be held at the beginning of February in the capital. Each province has been ordered to send a representative of high military rank.

RUSSIAN MINISTER'S DENIAL.

PEKING, Jan. 14.
The Russian Minister has denied the report that his Government protested against the opening of the five cities in Inner Mongolia.

GREAT BRITAIN SEEKS RAILWAY PRIVILEGES.

PEKING, Jan. 14.
It is reported that the British Minister has made a request for the privilege of building a railway connecting Tung-yat and Tullifu, in Yunnan province.

NANKING CITY WALL.

SHANGHAI, Jan. 14.
Fung Kwok Chang, military commander in Nanking, has proposed to the central authorities that the city wall shall be pulled down.

TO ABOLISH THE PREMIER-SHIP.

PEKING, Jan. 14.
The American adviser in the Presidential office has recommended the Cabinet to strictly adhere to the Republican system of government and abolish the office of Premier.

CORRESPONDENCE.

A MATTER WHICH NEEDS POLICE INVESTIGATION.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")
Dear Sir,—May I have the courtesy of your columns to ask for better police surveillance over the Swoops run by certain Clubs of the Colony in connection with the forthcoming Race Meeting? It has been established custom for Clubs to conduct sweeps and as long as this is done strictly private and amongst the bona fide members of a Club I have nothing to say against the police tolerance of it. But when the Clubs go out of their way and abuse the police tolerance by marketing their sweeps rights to the highest bidders among the various sets of gambling armers who, under the protection of a temporary register, inscribe into membership all and sundry and lure young men to the road of ruin, it is about time the police step in and put an end to these evil practices. Hitherto these sweeps were held at night after dinner. Encouraged probably by the police tolerance, drawings at 5 p.m. were inaugurated last year, an hour when most young men were supposed to be looking after their employers' interests at the office. Last year a son of mine, in his first year's experience of earning his own living, was taken to one of these gambling hovels by a satellite of these gambling farmers and committed himself to the lure of a couple of hundred dollars, tempting fortune on credit. How these human sharks know to do things. They seem to pick out the sons of men of means to be plucked by them. I had the young man's first offence, I paid him his fifty but I did not spare the rod, and he had a little more to do. The case of a friend of mine was most distressing. With some exaggerated notions of doing honour to the young man he had the facts from his father, resorted to moneylenders and ended in being the Colony. And if I add to the have cases that of the youth who was dismissed the service for men were before drawing hours to attend to these affairs would be complete. I am sure these sad pages of the inner life of Hongkong are unknown to His Excellency the Governor, and if my letter catches his eye and results in better control of Club Swoops my letter will have served its purpose. I should not conclude this communication without a tribute of praise to the Committee of the Chinese Club. These gentlemen, I understand, were approached last year for the sweep rights of that Club but they had the courage to refuse the tempting offer of a thousand dollars on moral grounds. This action is of great approach to those Clubs which have thought fit to act otherwise.
Yours faithfully,
PATRICK MULLIN.

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SPORTING.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

Royal Artillery Cup.

33rd Coy., R.G.A. v. 88th Coy., R.G.A.
The 83rd Coy., R.G.A., after administering a 4-0 defeat to the 88th Coy., at Lyemoun in a prior round, visited them at the Military ground yesterday in the return match. Teams:—
83rd Coy., R.G.A.—Garrud; Langford; Laughton; Stevenson; Mullin; Perry; Mardle; Da Idson; Cane; Pinchard; Philipin.
88th Coy., R.G.A.—Moore; Caple; Pallant; Buckland; Barry; Stanley; Draper; Watson; Court; Swan; Faulkner. Referee, Mr. F. Wright.
The 83rd Coy. set the pace from the start and after Moore had kicked out a shot from the right wing, Pinchard sent in a fine one that skimmed the bar. When the other side got on the move, Watson fired in a beauty from long range that Garrud managed to get away at the second attempt just as Court charged him in the net. Davidson was a smart forward and it took Barry and Pallant all their time to keep him out on several occasions. Twice he beat the defence, but each time the rough ground caused him to shoot over the bar. The interval arrived with the score 2-0. 83rd Coy., R.G.A. 0; 88th Coy., R.G.A. 0. Play resumed slightly in favour of the Lyemoun men. After a bout of passing in which Perry and Mullin helped considerably, a melee occurred in the 88th Coy. goal and Davidson headed into the net, scoring what proved to be the only goal. The Victoria gunners now roused themselves to their best exertions and Faulkner sent in a fine shot that Garrud did well to clear. Near the finish, Watson centred, and all the forwards being up a goal looked almost certain, but all missed. Result.—83rd Coy., R.G.A., 1; 88th Coy., R.G.A., 0.

H.K. and S. Battalion Sports.

At the annual sports of the Hongkong and Singapore Battalion, R.G.A., to be held on the 21st instant, the following open events will be run, approximately at the times given:—2.30 p.m., 440 yds. race (open to British troops only); 3.30 p.m., Children's race (Flemington School only); 3.45 p.m., Indian Officers' race (handicap); 4.30 p.m., British Officers' race (handicap); 5 p.m., Turf War, Indian troops; 5.15 p.m., Relay Race (Indian troops) Quarter mile.

CHEAP MINERAL WATERS.

A Factory in Every Home.

A simple but ingenious piece of apparatus which has just been introduced to the Far East by Mr. W. T. Puddappa, a well-known Hongkong resident, places within the reach of everybody of even moderate means facilities for making their own mineral waters. The invention which makes this possible is an improvement of the well-known "Frank" Sparklet siphon, which bids fair to revolutionise the mineral water trade.
The apparatus in its new form consists of a well designed plated case, the various sizes accommodating three or more glass bottles of special design which are charged automatically by the simple turning of a screw upon the sparklet bulb containing the charging gas. A valve in the screw stopper of the bottles imprisons the gas, and after rocking the holder for a couple of seconds to distribute the charge evenly one has ready for use mineral water of a very high quality.
Any kind of liquid can be aerated in this apparatus, which thus opens up an almost endless range of drinks, and it is so simple to handle that any Chinese boy may safely be entrusted with its operation.
Hitherto the bulbs when once pierced have had to be thrown away as useless, but by means of a special screw cap they can now be re-charged on return to the company. This has greatly reduced the cost of aeration by these machines and now sparkling soda water can be made for fifteen cents a dozen. For clubs and messes the new Sparklet machine is especially well suited while up country it should prove a great boon.
Mr. Puddappa has obtained concessions for exploiting the new invention over the whole of the Far East, from Penang to Japan and including the Philippines, and it is his intention to form a local company to work this area. A demonstration show room has been opened at 8, Duddell Street, ground floor, where Mr. Puddappa gives demonstrations daily.

PROFESSOR W. E. COOKE.

Professor W. E. Cooke, the New South Wales Government astronomer, states that the comet of 1900, which was discovered by Zinner, is still visible through a telescope though just at present it is very faint, owing to moonlight. Its greatest interest lies in the fact that sooner or later it will probably pass very close indeed to the earth, or may actually run into us. The first chance of this event will be in October, 1926, and in view of such a contingency it is important for southern observers to obtain its present measurements with every possible accuracy, so as to form a basis for a reliable prediction of the 1926 return. A good set of observations has so far been obtained at the Sydney Observatory.

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